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SPECIAL BRANCH S.I. Station,

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. B. D.
File No. 9310
Date 1941

Date 19th June, 1940.

Subject: Miss Vera Tsai.

Made by: D.S.I. Mallansky Forwarded by: Mr. Bradford.

Miss Vera Tsai, Russian, born on February 20, 1909 at Harbin, is at present residing at 155/4 Avenue Haig.

She left Shanghai for Surabaya on September 14, 1939 by s.s. " Ajinegara " and returned to Shanghai on June 8, 1940 by s.s. " Ajibudak ". While at Surabaya she was employed as a bar-maid at the Tabarin Night Club.

Miss Tsai will, in the near future, marry a Mr. S. Wanschench, Netherlander merchant, who is coming here from Surabaya.

Miss Tsai is reported to be of a good character and repute.

Enquiries revealed no information which may suggest that Miss Tsai was engaged in any activities on behalf of either German or Japanese espionage organization.

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B. Mallansky
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D.C. (SPECIAL BRANCH).

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June 15th, 1940.

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Miss VERA TEAR, probably a cabaret "hostess" was employed at the TABARIN NIGHT CLUB in Surabaya in April and is now reported to have left Hanoi for Shanghai. She is believed to be connected with the Japanese or German espionage organization.

If she could be located in Shanghai I would be grateful if I might be informed.

"Y"

Consulaat-Generaal der Nederlanden voor Midden-China

Tel. Adr. "Hollandia"
Telefoon: 80155 6

Shanghai, 6th July 1939.
9 Quai de France

No. 2048.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 5th instant, No.L.9310, regarding Miss Vera Tear, Miss Helen Afanassieff and Miss Nina Drosdoff, and thank you for the information therein contained.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Consul-General.

The Deputy Commissioner,
Special Branch, Shanghai Municipal Police,

SHANGHAI.

July 5 39.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 1878 dated 17th June, 1939, and in reply to inform you that there is nothing in Municipal Police records against Miss Vera Tear, Miss Helen Afanassieff and Miss Nina Drosdoff. A copy of report concerning them is attached.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner
(Special Branch)

Consul-General for the Netherlands,

Shanghai.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Section 1, Special Branch

REPORT

Date July 4, 1939

Subject. Communication dated 17-6-39 from the Netherlands Consulate-General concerning Misses Vera Tear, Helen Afanassieff and Nina Drosdoff.

Made by D.S.I. Prokofiev Forwarded by C. Cardoner, S.I.

1. Miss Vera Victorovna TEAR, Russian, born on February 26,1909 at Harbin. According to her own statement, she escaped from the U.S.S.R. to Manchuria in 1924 together with her parents and until 1929 resided in Harbin where she claims to have graduated from a commercial school. She arrived in Shanghai from Harbin in 1929. Here she is reported to have been employed as a shop assistant for about two years, after which she has been working as a dancing partner. She resides at 129 Avenue Haig, House 16.

2. Miss Helen Alexandrovna AFANASSIEFF, Russian, born on October 12,1908 at Harbin. She is reported to have arrived in Harbin from Vladivostok in 1927 and after a short stay in the former city to have proceeded to Shanghai. Here she is known to have been working as a dancing partner in local cabarets and to have visited Hankow in the same capacity. At present she resides at 129 Avenue Haig, House 16.

3. Miss Nina Petrovna DROSDOFF, Russian, born on January 7,1909 at Harbin. It is reported that she arrived in Shanghai from Harbin in or about 1930 travelling on a Soviet passport. While in Shanghai she renounced her allegiance to the Soviet Government and took out emigrant papers. For the past several years she is known to have been working as a dancing partner. Her present address is No. 1326 Avenue Joffre, Apt. 203.

The above three persons are registered with the Russian Emigrants' Committee, Moulmein Road, and with the French Police (Certificates of Resid. Nos. 6067, 2059 and

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Their last known place of employment is Del Monte Cabaret, 452 Avenue Haig.

While in Shanghai they did not come to Police notice.

A. Prokopiev

D.S.I.

D. C. (Special Branch).

CONSULAAT-GENERAAL DER NEDERLANDEN
VOOR MIDDEN-CHINA.
TEL. AD. HOLLANDIA.

No.1878.

SHANGHAI, 17th June 1939.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the following persons have applied to this Consulate General for a visé for admission into the Netherlands Indies :

1. Miss VERA TEAR, born at Harbin on February 26th 1909, residing at Shanghai at 129 Avenue Haig, House 16.
2. Miss HELEN AFANASSIEVA, born at Harbin on October 12th 1908, residing at Shanghai at 129 Avenue Haig, House 16.
3. Miss NINA DROSDOVA, born at Harbin on January 27th 1909, residing at 1326 Avenue Joffre, Apartment No.203.

They stated to me that they have been engaged by the Tabarin Night Club at Sourabaia as bargirls for a period of six months and that their contracts, together with their landing permits have been forwarded to this Consulate General.

Further more they informed me that they have been residing at Shanghai for the last ten years and that they have been registered with the Police of the French Municipal Council.

At present they seem to be employed with the Casanova Cabaret as dancing girls. They have the intention to leave next month after receipt of their documents from Sourabaia.

I should be obliged to you if you would let me know whether anything is known against these persons from a political or moral point of view.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Consul-General.

The Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Special Branch,
SHANGHAI.

D.C.D. Prokofiev
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